

Gary A. Freeman
Application No.: 10/619,389

REMARKS

Claims 19-61 are pending in this patent application and have not been amended. Those claims were all rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 6,606,142 (hereinafter "the '142 patent") and claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 6,618,114 (hereinafter "the '114 patent"). Additionally, claims 19-61 were provisionally rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claim 1 of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/309,908 (hereinafter "the '908 application") and claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 09/882,272 (hereinafter "the '272 application").

In response, Applicant respectfully submits a Terminal Disclaimer herewith. The Terminal Disclaimer fee of \$110 was paid by check along with the submission of the March 8, 2004 Terminal Disclaimer. However, if a new Terminal Disclaimer fee is due, the fee may be charged to our Deposit Account. The attached Terminal Disclaimer is believed to obviate the rejections; therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections be withdrawn.

Interview Summary

On June 22, 2004, Examiner Timothy Rude contacted Applicant's representatives to discuss this application. Examiner Rude informed Applicant's representatives that the Terminal Disclaimer filed March 8, 2004, although it appeared to be a *bona fide* attempt to respond to the Office Action, did not satisfy all of the requirements for a proper response. For that reason, Examiner Rude explained that Applicant would be given a time period in which to supply a corrected Terminal Disclaimer. Apparently, this time period is being offered more than three months after the filing of the response because the Terminal Disclaimer was misdirected within

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the U.S.P.T.O. and the Examiner was unaware of its filing until just recently. Applicant appreciates Examiner Rude's efforts and the courtesies extended during the telephone interview.

Applicant notes that, at the Examiner's request, a new copy of the Power of Attorney to Customer No. 23345 in this application was transmitted via facsimile directly to Examiner Rude via facsimile on June 22, 2004.

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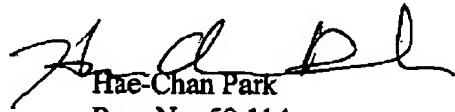
CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that a full and complete response has been made to the pending Office Action and respectfully submits that all of the stated objections and grounds for rejection have been overcome or rendered moot. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are allowable and that the application is in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of this response, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative at the number below to expedite prosecution.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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Revised Terminal Disclaimer